



PTO News

Terri Whiteman

April 2009

April PTO Meeting

April 20th will be our next PTO meeting. We will be nominating Board Members for the 2009 - 2010 school year. There will be at least two openings on the Ross Park PTO Board. We need a couple of dedicated parents willing to serve a worthy cause and help the PTO continue to help students, parents, teachers and staff at our school.

At the April PTO meeting we also will be having Internet Safety Night. Please join us as we discuss what our children are doing online and how to teach them to be safe. This is an important meeting and we look forward to seeing you there. Adults only at the meeting please, but remember the PTO provides free child care at all meetings.

Board Positions

*Are you interested in helping but not sure what's involved or how much time is required? Come find out! The PTO Board will hold an orientation and question and answer session on **Monday, April 13**, from 6:30 - 7 p.m. in the school library.*

Popcorn Sales

On April 24th the kindergarten will sponsor Popcorn Sales Day. Parents, if your child is in kindergarten and you are able to help support your child's class with making and distributing popcorn on this day, please contact your child's teacher or a PTO Board member. All help is appreciated. Thank you.

Student Directories

The Student Directories have arrived. If you are interested in purchasing one, they are \$1.00 and available in the front office.

March Is Reading Month

*On Tuesday, April 14th Ross Park Elementary will be having an assembly with Johnathan Rand, author of the popular series of books known as the **Michigan Chillers**. Mr. Rand will be performing as an incentive for students to read during March is Reading Month. In order for Mr. Rand to visit on April 14th Ross Park students need to read 180,000 minutes or 3,000 hours during the month of March.*

In preparation for Mr. Rand's visit we have order forms in the office for parents to pick up and return prior to the day of the assembly. If you return the order form prior to April 14, Mr. Rand will deliver the book to your child and will personally autograph it, as well.

If you have any questions, please contact PTO Vice-President Stan Miller at 780-9219 or Principal Dan Cwayna at 798-1773.

Flower Sale

Once again we will be having our Flower Sale. The order dates will be April 20th thru April 29th. Delivery/pickup will be on Thursday, May 7th. Watch your child's folders for the order form in the next couple of weeks.

Box Tops for Education

My name is Theresa Vredeveld and I am the box tops coordinator at Ross Park. I would like to thank all of the parents for taking the time to cut out your box tops. It has never been more important than during these difficult times.

This school year we have been able to raise \$1,194.00 for our school. I am always so excited to see the number of dollars our parents help raise. If you have not started collecting box tops, I would tell you that it is so important to help our classrooms afford the extra things they need. If you have been collecting box tops, then I would like to tell you again, thank you and I hope that we will be able to beat our dollar amount next year. I would like to ask that you continue to turn in your box tops. This will insure that Ross Park will be able to collect even more money for our school next year. This definitely makes me realize why "Ross Park Rocks!"

We still collect Box Tops for Education labels. You can send them in with your child or drop them off at the office. Thank you for your support with these programs.

*Theresa Vredeveld
Ross Park Box Tops Coordinator*

Nestle Pure Life Labels

There have been some unforeseen changes with the redemption of the labels this year. Nestle had to get a new company to receive the labels, which changed the turn-in date. Also, the points value has changed on many items. Due to this change, I felt it would be to the school's advantage to use this year's labels towards next year's count. I am in the process

of counting the labels that we have received, and we have definitely surpassed last years count! I want to thank everyone who has turned in Nestle Pure Life labels and hope you will continue to do so.

*Next year, I will not be handling the Nestle Label collection because my daughter will be going on to the Middle School. If anyone is interested in taking on the label collection, please contact me, Terri Whiteman, at secretary@rossparkpto.org for more info.
Thank You.*

Donation Coordinator and Donations Needed

Once again we would like to hold a Silent Auction at our Spring Carnival and are looking for a Donation Coordinator. If anyone is able to give their time to this portion of the carnival, it would be greatly appreciated. We are also looking for items and/or services to be donated for the silent auction and raffles. If you own your own business or know of anyone interested in donating any items or services, please contact any board member. At the last carnival we had many wonderful items for auction ranging from candles, Pampered Chef items, hair cuts and tanning to camping gear, charter fishing trips and hotel stays. It's a good way to support Ross Park and to advertise your business. You may contact Terri Whiteman at secretary@rossparkpto.org

Carnival Cake Walk

We all know one of the most popular games at the carnival is the cake walk! Anyone who is able to contribute a delicious cake, cup cakes or pie towards this event may contact Susan Heethouse at upperelheadroomparent@rosspark.org

Ross Park Merchandise

Get your Ross Park merchandise! Go to www.cafepress.com/rossparkpto to pick from a wide variety of T-shirts, sweatshirts and other merchandise; \$5 from every item purchased will go to the PTO to benefit the entire school.

The following advertisements help us with printing costs. If you would like to place an ad in our newsletter, contact Terri Whiteman at 231-740-1701 or secretary@rossparkpto.org



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